

**DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY
UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF GROUND WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT
PERMIT NO. UGW350010**

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY IS SOLICITING COMMENTS ON ITS PROPOSAL TO ISSUE A GROUND WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT DESCRIBED BELOW UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE UTAH WATER QUALITY ACT, SECTION 19-5-104(1)(I) UTAH CODE ANNOTATED 1953, AS AMENDED AND UTAH ADMINISTRATIVE CODE R317-6.

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: KENNECOTT UTAH COPPER CORPORATION

MAILING ADDRESS: 8315 WEST, 3595 SOUTH
MAGNA, UT 84044-6001

FACILITY LOCATION: BINGHAM CANYON MINE, 18 MILES SOUTHWEST OF SALT LAKE CITY,
ADJACENT TO THE TOWN OF COPPERTON UTAH

KENNECOTT UTAH COPPER HAS REQUESTED THE RENEWAL OF THEIR GROUND WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT TO COVER THE OPERATION OF THE BINGHAM CANYON MINE AND WATER COLLECTION SYSTEM. THE MINE IS LOCATED IN THE OQUIRRH MOUNTAINS APPROXIMATELY 18 MILES SOUTHWEST OF SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. KENNECOTT HAS PROPOSED A DISCHARGE MINIMIZATION APPROACH COUPLED WITH SOURCE CONTROL FOR THIS GROUND WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT. DISCHARGE MINIMIZATION WILL BE ACHIEVED THROUGH THE USE OF AN UPGRADED CUT-OFF WALL/COLLECTION SYSTEM ALONG THE EAST SIDE DUMPS AND A CUTOFF WALL COMBINED WITH EXTRACTION WELLS IN THE DRY FORK AREA. A MAJOR SOURCE CONTROL STEP WAS COMPLETED WITH THE CESSATION OF ACTIVE LEACHING IN 2000. A MONITORING NETWORK OF 44 WELLS IS UTILIZED FOR COMPLIANCE MONITORING OF THE BINGHAM CANYON MINE AND WATER COLLECTION SYSTEM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE INVITED ANY TIME PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2005. WRITTEN COMMENTS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY, P.O. BOX 144870, SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84114-4870. ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED PRIOR TO 5:00 P.M. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2005, WILL BE CONSIDERED IN THE FORMULATION OF FINAL DETERMINATIONS TO BE IMPOSED ON THE PERMIT. A PUBLIC HEARING MAY BE HELD IF WRITTEN REQUESTS ARE RECEIVED WITHIN THE FIRST 15 DAYS OF THIS PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD THAT DEMONSTRATE SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES EXIST TO WARRANT HOLDING A HEARING.

FURTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED UPON REQUEST BY CALLING DAN HALL AT (801) 538-6146 OR BY WRITING THE AFOREMENTIONED ADDRESS. RELATED DOCUMENTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS AT THE DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY, 288 N. 1460 W., SALT LAKE CITY.

FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS NEEDING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT THE UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES AT (801) 536-4414.